

**City of Franklin Common Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 18, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Franklin, Indiana was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 70 E. Monroe Street, with Mayor Joseph E. McGuinness presiding. Mayor McGuinness opened the meeting and asked the Clerk-Treasurer to call the roll. Council members Joseph Ault, Stephen Barnett, Stephen Hougland, Dr. William T. Murphy and Richard Wertz answered roll call. Clerk-Treasurer Janet P. Alexander, Records Clerk Kathy Cragen, City Attorney Lynnette Gray were also present. Council members Joseph Abban and Kenneth Austin were absent.

Councilor Hougland offered an invocation. Mayor McGuinness led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance. Council member Kenneth Austin arrived during the recitation of the pledge.

Announcements & Presentations

Swearing in of Probationary Officer Schyuler Brown - Mayor McGuinness swore in probationary police officer Schyuler Brown and welcomed him to the Franklin Police Department.

Historic Preservation Awards - Franklin Heritage Inc., (FHI) Executive Director Rob Shilts announced the following FHI annual awards to Franklin homeowners and businesses:

- Little Charmer Award – 303 E. Monroe St., Jim & Sarah Carroll
- Best New Addition to Existing Historic Structure – 77 W. Monroe St., Ann's Restaurant
- Natural Beauty Award – 1039 Park Ave., Bob & Nancy Smith
- Best Adaptive Reuse of Existing Historic Structure – 298 W. Jefferson St., Dan Paris
- Best Renovation project of an Existing Historic Structure – 86 Martin Place, Chad & Lori Prince
- Best Continued Use of an Existing Historic Structure – 98 N. Jackson St., Schafstall & Admire LLP
- Restorer of Old Franklin Award (ROOF Award) – Drake Construction, Dennis Drake
- Kathleen VanNuys Historic Farmstead Award – 5301 E. 200 N., Glenn & Connie McAlpin
- Best use of Architectural Salvage and Historic Materials – 165 E. Jefferson St., T-Shirt Express

Consent Agenda

Mayor McGuinness presented the consent agenda for approval.

- Approval of the May 4, 2015 Common Council Minutes

Council President Barnett made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Old Business

There was no old business presented.

New Business

Council President Barnett made a motion to read all new business items by title only, seconded by Councilor Austin. A voice vote was taken with all members stating aye. The motion carried.

Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 15-09 An Additional Appropriation Ordinance - City Engineer Travis Underhill stated that this request for an additional appropriation of \$120,000 is for improvements to the railroad crossing at Commerce Drive, and continuing the pedestrian trail along Commerce Drive. This proposed ordinance is presented for introduction and will be advertised for public hearing to be held during the next regular meeting June 1, 2015.

Common Council Budgetary Ordinance No.: 15-10 An Additional Appropriation Ordinance - Fire Chief Dan McElyea explained his request for an additional appropriation from the Fire Medic Service Fund in the amount of \$90,000 was needed to purchase three defibrillators for use by the medics in the Fire Department. A discussion was held. This proposed ordinance is presented for introduction and will be advertised for public hearing for the next regular meeting June 1, 2015.

Other Business

There was no other business presented.

Council Comments

Councilor Wertz announced that there would be a Redevelopment Commission (RDC) meeting tomorrow morning at 8:00 a.m.

Adjournment

As there was no further business to come before the Common Council, a motion and a second were made to adjourn at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer
Enrolled: 05/28/2015

Joseph McGuinness, Mayor

Attest:

Janet P. Alexander, Clerk-Treasurer